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25X1 4. [redacted] Margo Carlisle, in the office of Senator James McClure (R., Idaho), called to request a briefing for the Senator alone on the status of the SALT negotiations. I told her we could provide a briefing on the Soviet strategic weapons but that the status of the negotiations and the status of the violations were out of our charter; we are reporters of the facts and not interpreters of U. S. policy. On this basis, we scheduled a briefing by Mr. Duckett, DDS&T, at 11:00, Monday 2 June, in room 460 Old Senate Office Building with the understanding that this would be for background use for the Senator only and not for attribution and not for public use to the extent that it was classified.

25X1 5. [redacted] Bill Skidmore, OMB, called and asked what the Agency's position was on S. 1, the codification of the criminal laws, and the status of the Agency's proposal to protect intelligence sources and methods. I explained our position that section 1124 on unauthorized disclosures in S. 1 does not adequately protect the Agency and that our proposal to protect intelligence sources and methods had been sent to OMB on 23 April 1975. I told him that as far as I knew, George Gilbert, also of OMB, was handling our proposal. Skidmore said he handles all criminal legislation and will be handling S. 1.

25X1 6. [redacted] Richard Fryklund, OSD/Legislative Affairs, called to mention that DOD would be testifying next week or the following week on the Indian Ocean and he thought it would be useful if we compared notes on our respective positions on this subject. I told Fryklund I was sure this was a topic which Messrs. Colby and Schlesinger have discussed but I would talk with our people to see if they had any other thoughts about it.

25X1 7. [redacted] Received a call from Ron Tammen, of Senator Proxmire's staff, regarding arrangements for Carl Duckett's briefing of the Proxmire Subcommittee of Senate Appropriations on the Soviet Soyuz program on 4 June. Tammen mentioned the full Committee was being invited but no personal staff would be permitted to sit in. He said there would be two members of the Majority staff and two members of the Minority staff present (I will get the names of these individuals so their clearances can be checked). Tammen also said he would like to know the format of Duckett's presentation so they could be preparing questions for the members. He also asked if there was any possibility of sanitizing the transcript of the session. After checking with Duckett I told Tammen that the bulk of the significant information in the briefing is from sensitive sources and to try to sanitize the transcript would leave the record with erroneous impressions. Tammen said the Chairman will ask the question about sanitization in any event and Duckett can respond to it at the time.

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25X1 13. [] Spoke to Jim Oliver, OMB, and told him there might be a delay in departmental responses to the Agency's proposed unauthorized disclosure legislation because of a USIB meeting which may be scheduled soon to unite intelligence community forces. Oliver suggested that perhaps OMB's General Counsel and Justice might attend such a meeting, but I told him I really thought this was a meeting to get the intelligence community ducks in a row and that we could face other issues once this has been accomplished.

Oliver said we should expect to soon receive from Jim Frey, OMB, a request for comments on S. 1 and would like us to pay particular attention to Section 1124 (Disclosing Classified Information) as it may impact on the need for our proposed legislation on intelligence sources and methods.

25X1 14. [] Richard Fryklund, DOD, Legislative Affairs, called to advise that they are being asked to testify on Indian Ocean matters as they relate to Diego Garcia and in response to his query, I told him that we had already initiated briefings on this subject and I am sure that he will find out from his intelligence analysts that it is our view that the situation remains pretty much as last year as depicted in Mr. Colby's statements to the Congress []

25X1 15. [] Roberta Jones, USIA, called concerning the Committee for Action/Research on the Intelligence Community in connection with a cable they had received from Lagos requesting copies of a recent issue of the magazine Counterspy. I alerted []
25X1 [] and suggested to him that he might
25X1 want to find out further what lies behind this request from Lagos. Action to do so has been initiated by []

25X1 16. [] Dorothy Fosdick, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, Senate Government Operations Committee staff, called to request an update on the Soviet weapons by Carl Duckett, DDS&T, for tomorrow or Monday. Eventually, a session to begin at 10:00 a.m. on Monday was scheduled.

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